

HOA

Island of bliss, all assaults
Baffling, like thy *hoar* cliffs the loud sea-wave. *Thomson.*

2. Grey with age.

It govern'd was and guided evermore
Through wisdom of a nation grave and hoar. *Rai. Queen.*
Now swarms the populace, a countless throng;
Youth and hoar age, and man drives man along. *Pope.*

3. White with frost.

HOAR-FROST. *n. f.* [*hoar* and *frost*.] The congelations of dew

When the dew was gone up, behold upon the face of the
wilderness there lay a small round thing, as small as the *hoar-*
frost on the ground. *Ex. xvi. 14.*

In Fahrenheit's thermometer, at thirty-two degrees, the wa-
ter in the air begins to freeze, which is known by *hoar-frosts*.
Arbutnot on Air.

HOARD. *n. f.* [*hoarb*, Saxon.] A store laid up in secret; a
hidden stock; a treasure.

I have a venturous fairy, that shall seek
The squirrel's *hoard*, and fetch thee thence new nuts. *Shak.*

They might have even starved, had it not been for this pro-
vidential reserve, this *hoard*, that was stowed in the strata un-
derneath, and now seasonably disclosed. *Woodw. Nat. History.*

To HOARD. *v. n.* To make hoards; to lay up store.

He fear'd not once himself to be in need,

Nor car'd to *hoard* for those whom he did breed. *Fa. Queen.*

Happy always was it for that son,

Whose father for his *hoarding* went to hell? *Shak. Hen. VI.*

To HOARD. *v. a.* To lay in hoards; to husband privily; to
store secretly.

The *hoarded* plague of the gods requite your love? *Shak.*
I have just occasion to complain of them, who, because
they understand Chaucer, would *hoard* him up as misers

do their grandam gold, only to look on it themselves,
and hinder others from making use of it. *Dryd. Fab. Preface.*

You *hoard* not health for your own private use,

But on the publick spend the rich produce. *Dryden's Fables.*

The base wretch, who *hoards* up all he can,

Is prais'd, and call'd a careful thrifty man. *Dryden's Juven.*

You will be unsuccessful, if you give out of a great man,

who is remarkable for his frugality for the publick, that he

squanders away the nation's money; but you may safely relate

that he *hoards* it. *Arbutnot's Art of political Lying.*

A superfluous abundance tempts us to forget God, when it

is *hoarded* in our treasures, or considered as a safe, independent

provision laid up for many years. *Rogers, Sermon 2.*

HOARDER. *n. f.* [*from hoard*.] One that stores up in secret.

Since commodities will be raised, this alteration will be an

advantage to nobody but *hoarders* of money. *Locke.*

HOARHOUND. *n. f.* [*marrubium*, Latin.] A plant.

It is a verticillate plant with a lip flower, consisting of one

leaf, whose upper lip or crest is upright, with two horns; but

the under lip or beard is divided into three parts: the pointal

is fixed to the hinder part of the flower, and attended by four

embryoes, which become so many oblong seeds, inclosed in

the flower-cup. *Miller.*

Hoarhound has its leaves and flower-cup covered very thick

with a white hoariness: it is famous for the relief it gives in

moist asthma, and in all diseases of the breast and lungs, of

which a thick and viscous matter is the cause; but it is now

little used. *Hill's Mat. Med.*

HOARINESS. *n. f.* [*from hoary*.] The state of being whitish;

the colour of old mens hair.

He grows a wolf, his *hoariness* remains,

And the same rage in other members reigns. *Dryden.*

HOARSE. *adj.* [*par*, Saxon; *heersels*, Dutch.] Having the

voice rough, as with a cold; having a rough sound.

Come, sit, sit, and a song.

—Clap into't roundly, without hawking or spitting, or

saying we are *hoarse*. *Shakespeare's As you like it.*

The raven himself is *hoarse*,

That cokes the fatal entrance of Duncan

Under my battlements. *Shakespeare's Macbeth.*

He sped his steps along the *hoarse* resounding shore. *Dry.*

The stock-dove only through the forest cooes,

Mournfully *hoarse*. *Thomson's Summer.*

HOARSELY. *adv.* [*from hoarse*.] With a rough harsh voice.

The hounds at nearer distance *hoarsely* bay'd;

The hunter close pursu'd the visionary maid. *Dryden.*

HOARSENESS. *n. f.* [*from hoarse*.] Roughness of voice.

The voice is sometimes intercler'd by an *hoarseness*, or

viscous phlegm. *Holder.*

She flings them back in my despite!

I had a voice in heav'n, ere fulph'rous steams

Had damp'd it to a *hoarseness*. *Dryden's King Arthur.*

The want of it in the wind-pipe occasions *hoarseness* in the

gullet, and difficulty of swallowing. *Arbutnot on Aliments.*

HOARY. *adj.* [*par*, Saxon; *parung*, Saxon. See HOAR.]

1. White; whitish.

Thus she rested on her arm reclin'd,

The *hoary* willows waving with the wind. *Addison.*

HOB

2. White or grey with age.

A comely palmer, clad in black attire,
Of ripest years, and hairs all *hoary* grey. *Spenser.*

Solyman, marvelling at the courage and majesty of the
hoary old prince in his so great extremity, disinclined him, and

sent him again into the city. *Knolles's History of the Turks.*

Has then my *hoary* head deserv'd no better?

Then in full age, and *hoary* holiness, *Rever.*

Retire, great preacher, to thy promis'd bliss. *Prior.*

3. White with frost.

Through this distemperature we see

The seasons alter; *hoary* headed frosts

Fall in the fresh lap of the crimson rose. *Shakespeare.*

4. Mouldy; mossy; rusty.

There was brought out of the city into the camp very

coarse, *hoary*, moulded bread. *Knolles's History of the Turks.*

HO'NOB. This is probably corrupted from *hob nob* by a

coarse pronunciation. See HAD NAB.

His incensement at this moment is so implacable, that satis-

faction can be none, but pangs of death and sepulchre: *hob-*

nob is his word; give't, or take't. *Shakes. Twelfth Night.*

To HOBBLE. *v. n.* [*to hob*, to *hobble*, to *hobble*.]

1. To walk lamely or awkwardly upon one leg more than the

other; to hitch.

The friar was *hobbling* the same way too, accidentally again.

Dryden's Spanish Fryar.

Some persons continued a kind of *hobbling* march on the

broken arches, but fell through. *Addison's Spectator.*

Was he ever able to walk without leading-strings, without

being discovered by his *hobbling*. *Swift.*

2. To move roughly or unevenly. Feet being ascribed to veries,

whatever is done with feet is likewise ascribed to them.

Those ancient Romans had a sort of extempore poetry, or

untuneable *hobbling* verse. *Dryden.*

While you Pindarick truths rehearse,

She *hobbles* in alternate verse. *Prior.*

HOBBLE. *n. f.* [*from the verb*.] Uneven awkward gait.

One of his heels is higher than the other, which gives him

a *hobble* in his gait. *Gulliver's Travels.*

HOBBLER. *n. f.* [*from hobble*.]

For twenty *hobblers* armed, the Irishmen were so called,

because they served on hobbies, he paid six-pence a-piece per

diem. *Duval on Ireland.*

HOBBLINGLY. *adv.* [*from hobble*.] Clumsily; awkwardly;

with a halting gait.

HOBBY. *n. f.* [*hobereau*, French.]

1. A species of hawk.

They have such a hovering possession of the Valtoline, as

an *hobby* hath over a lark. *Bacon.*

The common people will chop like trouts at an artificial

fly, and dare like larks under the awe of a painted *hobby*.
L'Estrange's Fables.

Larks lie dar'd to shun the *hobby's* flight. *Dryden.*

2. [*Hoppe*, Gothick, a horse; *hobin*, French, a pacing horse.]

An Irish or Scottish horse; a pacing horse; a garraan.

3. A stick on which boys get astride and ride.

Those grave contenders about opinative trifles look like

aged Socrates upon his boy's *hobby* horse. *Glanv. Serp. c. 27.*

As young children, who are try'd in

Go-carts, to keep their steps from sliding,

When members knit, and legs grow stronger,

Make use of such machine no longer;

But leap *pro libitu*, and scout

On horse call'd *hobby*, or without. *Prior.*

No *hobby* horse, with gorgeous top,

Could with this rod of Sid compare. *Swift.*

4. A stupid fellow.

I have studied eight or nine wise words to speak to you,

which these *hobby* horses must not hear. *Shakespeare.*

HOBGoblin. *n. f.* [*according to Skinner*, for *hobgoblins*, from

Robin Goodfellow, *Hob* being the nickname of Robin; but

more probably, according to *Wallis* and *Junius*, *hobgoblin* em-

puses, because they do not move their feet: whence, says *Wal-*

lis, came the boys play of *fox in the hole*, the fox always

hopping on one leg.

Fairies, black, grey, green, and white,

Attend your office and your quality:

Crier *hobgoblin*, make the fairy o-yes. *Shakespeare.*

HO'BIT. *n. f.* A small mortar to shoot little bombs.

HO'BNAIL. *n. f.* [*from hobby and nail*.] A nail used in shoing

a hobby or little horse; a nail with a thick strong head.

Steel, if thou turn thine edge, or cut not out the burly-

bon'd clown in chins of beef, ere thou sleep in thy sheath, I

beseech Jove on my knees thou may'st be turn'd into *hob-*

nails. *Shakespeare's Henry VI. p. iii.*

We shall buy maidens as they buy *hobnails*, by the hun-

dred. *Shakespeare's Henry IV. p. i.*

HO'BNAILD. *adj.* [*from hobnail*.] Set with hobnails.

Would'st thou, friend, who hast two legs alone,

Would'st thou, to run the gantlet, these exco-

pe'd to a whole company of *hobnail'd* fuses? *Dryden's Juvenal.*

HOG

HOCK. *n. f.* [*The same with hough*; *hoh*, Saxon.] The joint
between the knee and the fetlock.

To HOCK. *v. a.* [*from the noun*.] To disable in the hock.

HOCK. } *n. f.* [*from Hockheim on the Maine*.] Old

HOCKAMORE. } strong Rhenish.

Rehov'd the fainting high and mighty,

With brandy, wine, and *agua vite*;

And made 'em stoutly overcome

With bachrach, *hockamore* and mum. *Hudibras, p. iii.*

Wine becomes sharp, as in *hock*, like the vitriolick acidity.

If cyder-royal should become unpleasant, and as unfit to

bottle as old *hockamore*, mix one hoghead of that and one of

tart new cyder together. *Mortimer's Husbandry.*

HOCKHERB. *n. f.* [*hock* and *herb*.] A plant; the same with

mallows. *Ainsworth.*

To HOCKLE. *v. a.* [*from hock*.] To hamstring; to cut the

sinews about the ham or hough. *Hammer.*

HOCUS POCUS. [*The original of this word is referred*

by *Tilston* to a form of the Romish church. *Junius*

derives it from *hocus*, Welsh, a cheat, and *pus* or *pus*, a

bag, jugglers using a bag for conveyance. It is corrupted

from some words that had once a meaning, and which per-

haps cannot be discovered.] A juggle; a cheat.

This gift of *hocus pocus*, and of disgusting matters, is

surprising. *L'Estrange.*

HOD. *n. f.* [*corrupted perhaps in contempt from hock*, a hod

being carried on the head.] A kind of trough in which a

labourer carries mortar to the masons.

A fork and a hook to be tampering in clay,

A lath, hammer, trowel, a *hod* or a tray. *Tiss. Husband.*

HO'DMAN. *n. f.* [*hod* and *man*.] A labourer that carries

mortar.

HODMAND'D. *n. f.* A fish.

Those that cast their shell are the lobster, the crab, the

crawfish, and the *hodmandul* or *hodman*. *Bacon's Nat. History.*

HODGE-PODGE. *n. f.* [*hodge*, *podge*, *hodge*, *podge*, *quali hodge* in *pet*,
French.] A medley of ingredients boiled together.

They have made our English tongue a gallimaufrey, or

hodge-podge of all other speeches. *Spenser.*

It produces excellent corn, whereof the Turks make their

trachana and bouhourt, a certain *hodge-podge* of sundry ingre-

dients. *Sandys's Travels.*

HODIERNAL. *adj.* [*hodiernus*, Latin.] Of to-day.

HOE. *n. f.* [*bois*, French; *houe*, Dutch.] An instrument to

cut up the earth, of which the blade is at right angles with

the handle.

If they come up too thick, they should be thinned with a

hoe. *Mortimer's Husbandry.*

To HOE. *v. a.* [*heuer*, French; *houen*, Dutch.] To cut or

dig with a hoe.

If it be a dry Springs, they must be continually kept with

weeding and *hoeing*. *Mortimer's Husbandry.*

HOG. *n. f.* [*hwch*, Welsh.]

1. The general name of swine.

This will raise the price of *hogs*, if we grow all to be pork-

ers. *Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice.*

The *hog*,